



**“A NEW BATTLE
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PROJECT BROTHERHOOD RESOLVE

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 20, 2021

7:00 pm, Teleconference

Facebook Messenger Group Video Chat

I. Call to order: 7:00

II. Roll Call

- **Joseph Gemayel: President Present**
- **Secretary - vacant**
- **Treasurer: vacant**
- **Michelle Overzet: - Present**
- **Donnal Hillard – Present**
- **Gary Overzet: – Present**
- **Jessica Harrell – Present**
- **Roxanne Silvernail - Present**

III. Reading of the Minutes

- a. **Joe motion to approve October Meeting Minutes as read. Seconded by Michelle**
 - i. **Aye : 6(Joe, Michelle, Gary, Jessica, Donnal, Roxanne)**
 - ii. **Nay: 0**
 - iii. **No vote: 0**
 - iv. **MOTION CARRIED**

IV. Treasurer's Report –

- a. Joe Motion to approve financial report for September - October as ready –
Seconded by Roxanne**

General Account \$ \$ 4,331.08

Events Account \$ \$ 2,488.55

Overhead Account \$ \$1,664.29

Future Account \$ \$150

b.

i. Aye: 6(Joe, Michelle, Gary, Jessica, Donnal, Roxanne)

ii. Nay:0

iii. No Vote:0

iv. MOTION CARRIED

V. Events / Committee Reports

- a. 2022 Events Calendar –** We got the calendars in and we already started selling them, let's get them sold, help advertise them.
- **Thanksgiving Dinner Nov 20 at the VFW –** We had 9 Turkeys, lots of Casseroles, Ham, Salads, and deserts. Lots of donors for food. Mark held down the merch table, selling almost 200 raffle tickets and a few cups. The Young Marines assisted with the opening ceremony, conducting the POW/MIA table presentation, and then assisting with food service and clean up. We had a lot of volunteers help in the kitchen as well. Jessica and Laura assisted with traffic management as well. We served over 100 meals, including to go meals for veterans and VFW members at Legends. City of Lapeer Mayor Marquart was present as well and gave a speech. Overall, the event was great, and folks are looking forward to next year.
 - **PBR Got Your Six Gala –**
 - **12 March –**
 - **Michelle - Alexia – Roxanne**
 - Not much to talk about, we should get sponsors for it Alexia was supposed to call and confirm the dates with her but I haven't heard back about that, she got tied up with the holidays and her son coming home, we need to get all the info for the sponsors, Joe sent examples sponsor packets from before. , no one seen it, Michelle, I haven't received anything. Joe sent out the sponsor packet examples, and I sent out people who have registered or donated, I haven't sent the sponsor list yet I'm still working on it. Gary was that by e-mail, Michelle I only get those part time. We need to get the sponsor packet done asap, and get the sponsor invite list going as well. Need to see if alexia called the caterer about the date.
 - **Veterans Gallery Night –**
 - **20 May – 3 June**
 - **Joe – Virginia – Deni – Sara – Clay – John**
 - We go the sponsor packet and artist contracts done, contracts went to last year's sponsors, we will get the sponsor packet out soon. Next meeting is first Tuesday of January, we will discuss sponsors, and get into the event deeper.
 - **22 Clubs for the 22 Fallen Poker Run –**
 - **18 June**
 - **Joe – Bob**

- No update from the Legion, Joe was asked to attend Jan 11th meeting for further info. Tilted axes may be interested in hosting a stop.
- **Freedom For All Paintball**
 - **9 July**
 - **Joe –**
 - No further update
- **Lest We Forget 9-11 Memorial Ride**
 - **11 September**
 - **Joe – Bob**
 - No further update at this time
- **PBR Veteran Suicide Awareness Ruck**
 - **17 September**
 - **Joe – Sara**
 - Sara responded, she is busy with school, she will get back on track when school is over. Nothing further at this time
- **Family Day**
 - **October**
 - Nothing at this time
- **Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner**
 - **19 November**
 - **Nothing at this time.**
- Imlay City Fair (27 July 22)- Lapeer Days (19-21 Aug 22 ?) – Metamora Days (27-28 Aug 22)– Woods and Water Show (9-11 Sep 22)
- Tattoo Event

VI. Old Business

- **Elections**
 - **President – Trustee 1 – Trustee 2 – Volunteer Coordinator only has 1 person running.**
 - Does anyone object to only having 1 vote for all, Michelle, they should be automatic, Joe we need a vote and I have to check if all is good.
 - **Joe yes**
 - **Michelle 1 trustee yes**
 - **Gary 2nd trustee yes**
 - **Roxanne Volunteer Coordinator – yes**
 - **Joe motions that all Officer positions with 1 single candidate be automatically approved – Gary seconds**
 - **Aye: 6 (Joe – Michelle – Gary – Donnal – Jessica - Roxanne)**
 - **Nay: 0**
 - **No Vote: 0**
 - **MOTION CARRIED**
 - **This will include Jessica as secretary, Roxanne took the Volunteer coordinator position.**
- **Google Voice 800 # - Table**
- **Bob Novak – Table**
- **Grants and Proposals – Michelle** any updates no, Jessica, Riana from Verizon, she will contacting you on the 12th, we got established to receive hand me downs, office desk, chairs, and what not, stuff will go to us and another charity, she wants to contact me about being an annual Gala sponsor see if you can get her to commit to \$5k
- **Can Drive –** I'm willing to bet we did over \$1500, I'll have that number for next meeting.
- **Classy –** nothing to report at this time
- **County Community Service – table**

- **I am PBR Campaign** – I need to talk to Denny about getting this started. He expressed his interest in helping out, those would be promo videos we can use at the GALA and other events, as well as n FB
- **Real Estate For A Cause** – they are our biggest donors at this time.
- **Good Newsletter**- I keep forgetting about contacting them, Roxanne wants to take it over, please do needs all info to talk about, we need to know how much it to advertise, either a small block or an entire page flyer. And frequency. Make sure you tell them we are a non-profit. I think we had a free ad a long time ago because of it.
- **Dan, Marine Veteran** – Assist- I need to get with RUSS and Lindy about their donations. I will do that tonight
- **Raffle - \$100 x 300 tickets** – Joe motions to move forward with the raffle, start sales one the tickets arrive, and conduct the drawing on during the Veterans Gallery Days veterans gala on 27 May at 9 pm. Gary seconds,
All in favor

- i. **Aye: 6 (Joe – Michelle – Gary – Donnal – Jessica - Roxanne)**
- ii. **Nay: 0**
- iii. **No Vote: 0**
- iv. **MOTION CARRIED**

- **Logo** – is everyone ok with taking it off, yes, we will take it off the agenda and stick with the original
- **Housing** – Joe talks to the mayor briefly during TGD, she is interested in helping and wants to get with the Planning commission about our ideas. I told her about the property on M24 and why it would benefit PBR and City of Lapeer, I also mentioned that as a non-profit, we have the ability to be more stringent on who we allow in the property. We can drug test and check for alcohol as we are different than regular landlords.
- **PBR Cups** – let's talk about it when we talk about mark in new business
- **2022 Calendar** – we have them they are \$10 a piece, let's start selling them. Already got 2 sold, and 5 ready to sell. I think we got 75
- **Joe's owed debt** Just a reminder, I'm still owed \$3k from 2017 for starting Classy
- **Office Depot - 414 212 26**

VII. New Business

- **Christmas giving tree** Renee Alexia, and Roxanne went out of their way to make sure everyone on the list had present. We a few fall through the cracks, but Joe and Laura were able to get everything done. Gifts were delivered before Christmas. No complaints heard
- **Volunteer coins** – Joe – I really want to get the coins to give to our volunteers, it's a bit more sentimental then a certificate, especially to those who have been helping for a while. We have volunteers from 2016-2017 that have been with us, and we haven't been in a position to do anything valuable to them. Michelle – They're volunteers, the time and effort they put in is valuable and what they get out of it is the satisfaction of helping. Jessica – yes but giving volunteers something is a bit more meaningful then just a pat on the back.
- **Mark Altheide resignation**
New members should see how the bills are paid, the bills are paid directly, he may not have understood that because he has never received PBR assistance, Roxanne, I know because I've been there it went straight were it need to go. I had told him, it's not a cookie cutter setting, what makes a vet go off, just because you got PTSD doesn't mean it's the same from another person. PBR doesn't have biases of what the troubles of a person are, there is help for everyone. Gary what bugged me about it he didn't like me and Michelle, we just audit the

books, Joe reports to us and Michelle. The team isn't very big in the first place so there is literally 6 of us doing all this, without volunteers and stuff, but sometimes it's just a few of us doing it all, I think he needs to carry on with whatever he was doing, that's why I suggested he be on the team to see what he was going to be. Joe was concerned, and his true colors will show once he is on it, he never directly talked to you to, you've been with PBR for so long so why not. There are no other people to do trustee, anyone that does anything with the account should not be a trustee and we needed it to be more than one. There is no law that says the board members must be in the same state. Amy had that issue.

- **QuickBooks**, Michelle, Jessica makes life easier. Joe, we aren't big enough yet to afford QuickBooks, I agree that it does make life easier, but the less we spend on overhead the more we spend on veterans
- **Mr. Owens**, We are attempting to get them to talk to the VA so they can get their qualified benefits and stop the VA from paying out any further benefits. Mrs. Owens reached out for assistance with their late DTE bills for their house. However, she called later and said the insurance check came in and she will pay it. This brings out the issue of do we help veteran family?

VIII. For the Good of the Order:

- Recruit other members to join PBR Board
- We need physical helpers
- Treasurer

VIII. UPCOMING MEETINGS/COMMENTS:

- **Next Board Meeting 18 January 2022 @ 7pm Location: TBD**

X. Close Out:

- Adjourn by: 8:24

ADENDDUM

Thursday, January 6, 2022 9:38:36 AM

Good morning everyone

Roxanne reached out to me and Michelle for help with her land contract should be behind 2 payments which comes out to 1650 Since it's a land contract, She does not have a paper statement and the landlord is reluctant to write one up for her. Roxanne mentioned that the landlords husband passed away in September from covid but and that She is under duress and the income from the property is her only income at this time. I understand that we can't do anything without a paper trail but I wanted to bring it to everyone's attention to see if anybody has any idea

Thank you Joe

Friday, January 7, 2022, 8:45 AM

Good morning all

Roxanne reached out this morning because of the [timing] she is sending a check herself and taking a hit. There's another way we can help her kind of stay on her feet she hasn't insurance bill that is due as well. The bill is for USAA and is \$1084.64 please see the attached

Thank you Joe

On Sat, Jan 8, 2022, 11:32 AM

I Joe Gemayel motion to pay Roxanne's USAA a bill of \$1084.64

Jessica (Wilcox) Harrell seconds

Aye: 3 (Joe – Michelle – Jessica)

Nay 1 (Gary)

No Vote : 1 (Donnal)

MOTION PASSED

Saturday, January 15, 2022 7:24:32 PM

Joe: Per the conversation in the screenshots above. I Joe Gemayel Motion to amend Roxanne's insurance payment of \$1084.96 from USAA to Paypal Roxanne.

This motion is due to mishap when Joe attempted to pay the bill through Roxanne's account. Joe entered the General Funds debit card info and when he hit send it defaulted to Roxanne's debit card. Roxanne will provide USAA Statement and to prove payment.

Michelle Overzet Seconds

Aye: 3 (Joe – Michelle – Jessica)

Nay 1 (Gary)

No Vote : 1 (Donnal)

MOTION PASSED

31 December 2022 Joseph Gemayel paid Consumer Energy bill of \$44.96 for Michael Moquin from the designated \$1500 Emergency Funds